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SUBJECT: EXPROPRIATION - MAXWELL INVESTMENT CO. LETTER
TO EPMG COMPENSATION COMMISSION

REFS: (A) STATE 247442, (B) 6045

1. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED COPY OF LETTER MAXWELL INVEST-
MENT MAILED RPT MAILED BY INTERNATIONAL MAIL TO COMPEN-
SATION COMMISSION OCTOBER 24. PER REFTELS EMBASSY IS
REQUESTED TO DELIVER COPY OF LETTER TO COMPENSATION
COMMISSION OR, IF THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE, TO WOLLE CHEKOL FOR
FORWARDING TO COMMISSION.

2. TEXT OF LETTER: QUOTE:

THE PROVISIONAL MILITARY GOVERNMENT
OF SOCIALIST ETHIOPIA
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COMPENSATION COMMISSION
P.O. BOX 30702
ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA

ATT: ATO LEPSE TSEHAI

GENTLEMEN:

RE: CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION

- MILLE FARMS PRIVATE LIMITED CO.
- ETHIO GUM PRIVATE LIMITED CO.

AS I INDICATED IN OUR TELEPHONE CONVERSATION ON OCTOBER 14, 1977, WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED A RESPONSE TO THE ABOVE CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION. SINCE THESE CLAIMS WERE SUBMITTED TO YOU OVER (9) MONTHS AGO, WE ARE BECOMING CONCERNED ABOUT THE DELAY AND ARE WONDERING WHAT WE CAN DO TO ACCELERATE THE PROCESSING OF THESE CLAIMS. AS YOU KNOW, WE ARE VERY ANXIOUS TO PROCEED AND WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ADVICE REGARDING THE STEPS NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE FINAL DISPOSITION.

YOUR ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS WILL HELP US TO ANALYZE OUR PRESENT POSITION AND AID US IN DETERMINING IF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED.

- 1) HAVE YOU COMPLETED YOUR ANALYSIS OF THE ABOVE CLAIMS?
 - 2) DO YOU HAVE ALL OF THE INFORMATION REQUIRED?
 - 3) IS THE PRESENTATION OF DATA CLEAR AND COMPLETE?
 - 4) ARE YOU SATISFIED WITH THE DOCUMENTATION?
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- 5) WHAT ADVICE CAN YOU GIVE US REGARDING DISPOSITION OF OUR CLAIMS?
- 6) WHEN SHOULD WE SCHEDULE A MEETING WITH YOU?
- 7) WHEN, WHERE AND HOW WILL COMPENSATION BE MADE?

WE WILL LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR PROMPT REPLY AND IF YOU

HAVE QUESTIONS WHICH WE CAN ANSWER, PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO CONTACT US.

YOURS TRULY,

R. H. BRADLEY

END QUOTE.

3. IN PRESENTING LETTER, YOU SHOULD RECALL OUR ABSTENTION ON EXPROPRIATION GROUNDS ON RECENT AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND LOAN AND EXPRESS USG HOPE THAT PROMPT ACTION TO

INITIATE NEGOTIATIONS WITH MAXWELL (OR OTHER AFFECTED
US INVESTORS) WILL BE TAKEN SO THAT WE CAN SUPPORT FUTURE
IFI LOANS TO ETHIOPIA. VANCE

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